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SUBJECT: WASHINGTON POST AND NEW YORK TIMES ARTICLES

1. THE FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF WASHINGTON POST ARTICLE OF DECEMBER 22 REGARDING AMBASSADOR CARLUCCI.
 2. QUOTE FRANK C. CARLUCCI, U.S. AMBASSADOR TO PORTUGAL, HAS BEEN CHOSEN TO SERVE AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, IT WAS LEARNED LAST NIGHT.
 3. CARLUCCI, 47, HAS BEEN AMBASSADOR TO LISBON SINCE 1975 AND HIS APPOINTMENT IS SEEN PARTLY AS A REACTION TO RECENT TURMOIL IN THE CIA, WHERE A STAFF REORGANIZATION IS UNDER WAY.
 4. WALT WURFEL, A WHITE HOUSE SPOKESMAN, DECLINED COMMENT WHEN ASKED ABOUT CARLUCCI'S APPOINTMENT, BUT SAID SEVERAL PERSONNEL ANNOUNCEMENTS WERE PLANNED FOR TODAY.
 5. THE CIA HAS BEEN REDUCING THE NUMBER OF ITS OVERSEAS UNCLASSIFIED
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- AGENTS SINCE LAST AUGUST ON THE ORDERS OF CIA DIRECTOR, ADM. STANSFIELD TURNER, ACCORDING TO CIA SPOKESMAN DENNIS BEREND.
6. EARLIER THIS MONTH, BEREND SAID THE STAFF CUTS ARE INTENDED TO REDUCE COSTS AND "PHASE IN YOUNGER MEN AND CREATE PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES."

7. CARLUCCI, A CAREER DIPLOMAT, APPARENTLY ANSWERS WHITE HOUSE WISHES FOR A VETERAN PUBLIC SERVANT IN THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR'S SLOT AS WELL AS TURNER'S RELUCTANCE TO PROMOTE A SENIOR CIA OFFICIAL.

8. EARLIER THIS YEAR, CARTER SELECTED CARLUCCI TO SUCCEED RICHARD M. MOOSE AS DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE FOR MANAGEMENT. BUT THE NOMINATION ENCOUNTERED DEMOCRATIC OPPOSITION IN CONGRESS BECAUSE OF CARLUCCI'S WORK FOR THE NIXON ADMINISTRATION. AMONG OTHER THINGS, HE SERVED AS DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET. END QUOTE.

9. THE FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF NEW YORK TIMES ARTICLE OF DECEMBER 22 REGARDING AMBASSADOR CARLUCCI.

10. QUOTE THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION PLANS TO APPOINT FRANK C. CARLUCCI THE UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR TO PORTUGAL, AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE, TOP-RANKING WHITE HOUSE AND STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS SAID TODAY.

11. THE APPOINTMENT WAS PROPOSED BY SEVERAL ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS AS A MEANS OF DEALING WITH THE TURMOIL THAT HAS DEVELOPED IN THE UPPER RANKS OF THE CENTRAL UNCLASSIFIED

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INTELLIGENCE AGENCY UNDER THE AGENCY'S NEW HEAD, ADM. STANSFIELD TURNER, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

12. THE SELECTION OF MR. CARLUCCI, WHO IS 47 YEARS OLD, WAS MADE LAST WEEK, THEY SAID, AS AN APPARENT COMPROMISE BETWEEN THE DESIRE OF THE WHITE HOUSE AND THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL TO APPOINT A CAREER CIVIL SERVANT AND ADMIRAL TURNER'S RELUCTANCE TO PROMOTE A SENIOR OFFICIAL IN THE AGENCY.

13. INTERNAL TURMOIL AT THE AGENCY WAS CAUSED IN PART BY ADMIRAL TURNER'S SEEMING ANTIPATHY TOWARD A NUMBER OF TOP-RANKING AGENCY OFFICIALS AND IN PART BY HIS DISMISSAL OF 212 OFFICERS OF THE CLANDESTINE SERVICES LAST OCTOBER 31, A NUMBER OF INTELLIGENCE OFFICERS SAID EARLIER THIS MONTH.

14. AGENCY OFFICIALS SAID THAT MR. CARLUCCI AND ADMIRAL TURNER RECENTLY HAD A "HEAD-TO HEAD" MEETING TO DISCUSS

THE APPOINTMENT. THE OFFICIALS SAID THAT THE CAREER FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER INSISTED ON FULL AUTHORITY AS

DEPUTY DIRECTOR, INCLUDING ACCESS TO INTELLIGENCE EVALUATIONS THAT ARE NOW SENT TO THE DIRECTOR ALONE.

15. THE OFFICIALS SAID THAT ADMIRAL TURNER HAD BEEN RELUCTANT TO SHARE THIS AUTHORITY BUT WAS NOT ABLE TO OPPOSE AN APPOINTMENT RECOMMENDED BY THE WHITE HOUSE.

16. A SPOKESMAN FOR ADMIRAL TURNER CONFIRMED THAT THE TWO MEN HAD MET BUT WAS NOT ABLE TO PROVIDE DETAILS. MR. CARLUCCI IS AT HIS POST IN LISBON TODAY, THE STATE DEPARTMENT SAID.

17. ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS SAID THAT THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. CARLUCCI WOULD COMPLY WITH THE CIA STATUTE, WHICH UNCLASSIFIED

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REQUIRES THAT IF A MILITARY OFFICER HEADS THE AGENCY, HIS DEPUTY MUST BE A CIVILIAN.

18. THERE HAVE BEEN STRONG OBJECTIONS AT THE AGENCY TO THE NEW DIRECTOR'S APPOINTMENTS OF FELLOW NAVY OFFICERS.

19. MR. CARLUCCI WOULD REPLACE JACK BLAKE, A CAREER C.I.A. OFFICER WHO HAS BEEN ACTING DEPUTY DIRECTOR SINCE JULY, WHEN HIS PREDECESSOR, ENNO HENRY KNOCHE, RESIGNED, REPORTEDLY BECAUSE OF DISSATISFACTION WITH ADMIRAL TURNER'S DIRECTION OF THE AGENCY.

15. LAST SPRING THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION CONSIDERED APPOINTING MR. CARLUCCI AS DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE FOR MANAGEMENT, THAT DEPARTMENT'S TOP MANAGEMENT POSITION. THE PLAN WAS ABANDONED, HOWEVER, WHEN DEMOCRATIC MEMBERS OF CONGRESS, REPORTEDLY REPRESENTATIVE JOHN BRADEMAS OF INDIANA AND SENATOR PAUL S. SARBANES OF MARYLAND, OBJECTED BECAUSE MR. CARLUCCI HAD HELD SEVERAL HIGH POSITIONS IN THE NIXON ADMINISTRATION.

16. MR. CARLUCCI WAS NAMED DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY IN 1971, LATER BECAME ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET AND THEN UNDER SECRETARY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE.

17. HE WAS APPOINTED AMBASSADOR IN JANUARY 1975 AT A TIME WHEN PORTUGAL WAS IN THE THROES OF A CONTEST BETWEEN COMMUNIST AND SOCIALIST POLITICAL FORCES. HE WON PRAISE FOR OPPOSING THE PROPOSAL OF HENRY A. KISSINGER, WHO WAS THEN SECRETARY OF STATE, TO WITHDRAW AMERICAN SUPPORT

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